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SEEDS TRADE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Multinational Companies are gradually gaining control over the trade of seeds in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the percentage share of Indian seed companies and the Multinational Companies respectively in the trade of seeds?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): The share of multinational companies in Indian seed industry particularly in hybrids of paddy, maize, jowar, bajra, sunflower and cotton is gradually increasing. The details are given in Annexure.